

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND
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Bill No. CB-053-2025

Chapter No. 34

Proposed and Presented by The Chair (by request - County Executive)

Introduced by Council Members Blegay and Hawkins

Co-Sponsors _____

Date of Introduction July 8, 2025

BILL

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Building Code of Prince George’s County

3 For the purpose of updating the provisions of the Building Code of Prince George’s County (the
4 “County”) to conform to the 2020 editions of the National Electrical Code.

5 BY adding and repealing and reenacting with amendments:

6 SUBTITLE 9. ELECTRICITY.

7 Sections 9-101, 9-101.01, 9-102, 9-103, 9-104, 9-
8 104.01, 9-105, 9-106, 9-107, 9-107.01, 9-108, 9-
9 108.00.01, 9-108.01, 9-109.01.1, 9-108.02, 9-
10 108.02.01, 9-108.03, 9-109, 9-109.01, 9-109.02, 9-
11 109.03, 9-109.04, 9-110, 9-111, 9-112, 9-113, 9-114,
12 9-115, 9-116, 9-117, 9-118, 9-119, 9-120, 9-121, 9-
13 122, 9-123, 9-124, 9-124.01, 9-124.02, 9-125, and 9-
14 125.

15 The Prince George's County Code
16 (2023 Edition).

17 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED by the County Council of Prince George's County,
18 Maryland, that Sections 9-101, 9-101.01, 9-102, 9-103, 9-104, 9-104.01, 9-105, 9-106, 9-107, 9-
19 107.01, 9-108, 9-108.00.01, 9-108.01, 9-109.01.1, 9-108.02, 9-108.02.01, 9-108.03, 9-109, 9-
20 109.01, 9-109.02, 9-109.03, 9-109.04, 9-110, 9-111, 9-112, 9-113, 9-114, 9-115, 9-116, 9-117, 9-
21 118, 9-119, 9-120, 9-121, 9-122, 9-123, 9-124, 9-124.01, 9-124.02, 9-125, and 9-125 of the

1 Prince George's County Code be and the same are hereby added, repealed and reenacted with
 2 the following amendments:

3 **SUBTITLE 9. ELECTRICITY.**

4 **DIVISION 1. ELECTRICAL CODE.**

5 **SUBDIVISION 1. ADOPTION BY REFERENCE.**

6 **Sec. 9-101. Code – Adopted by Reference.**

7 The National Electrical Code (NEC), [2017] 2020 Edition, published by the National Fire
 8 Protection Association, is hereby adopted by reference and made a part of this Subtitle with the
 9 same force and effect as though set out in full herein as the Official Electrical Code of Prince
 10 George's County, together with the changes, deletions, or modifications prescribed in this
 11 Subtitle. All electrical work performed or contracted to be performed in the County shall be
 12 included within the authority of this Subtitle.

13 **Sec. 9-101.01. [Reserved.] Article 90 Introduction 90.1 (B) Adequacy**

14 This Code contains provisions that are considered necessary for safety. Compliance
 15 therewith and proper maintenance result in an installation that is essentially free from hazard but
 16 not necessarily efficient, convenient, or adequate for good service or future expansion of
 17 electrical use. The authority having jurisdiction for enforcement of this Code has the
 18 responsibility for making the determination as to whether or not an installation and/or equipment
 19 is efficient, convenient, safe, or adequate.

20 **Sec. 9-102. Definitions.**

21 (a) The term "the authority having jurisdiction for enforcing this Code" as used in the
 22 National Electrical Code shall mean the Director and/or representative of the Department of
 23 Permitting, Inspections, and Enforcement. Where the name of the jurisdiction is to be indicated
 24 in any Section of the Code, the name to be substituted therein shall be "Prince George's County,
 25 Maryland."

26 (b) For the purposes of this Division, the following words, terms and phrases shall have
 27 the meaning given for them in Section 2-253.50 of this County Code:

- 1 (1) Board;
- 2 (2) Department;
- 3 (3) Director;
- 4 (4) Electrical Contractor;
- 5 (5) Electrical Contractor, Limited;
- 6 (6) Electrical work;
- 7 (7) Master Electrician;
- 8 (8) Master Electrician, Limited;
- 9 (9) Journeyman Electrician;
- 10 (10) Apprentice Electrician;
- 11 (11) Electrical Subcontractor;
- 12 (12) Electrical Subcontractor, Limited.

13 **Sec. 9-103. Reserved.**

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15 **SUBTITLE 9. ELECTRICITY.**

16 **DIVISION 1. ELECTRICAL CODE.**

17 **SUBDIVISION 2. AMENDMENTS TO THE NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE.**

18 **Sec. 9-104. General.**

19 Any provision of the National Electrical Code adopted by Section 9-101 of this Subtitle
20 shall be subject to change, modification, addition or omission as set out in Subdivision 2, and
21 such change, amendment, addition or deletion shall be deemed to supersede the text of the
22 Electrical Code in any case where the provisions of this Subtitle are interpreted.

23 **Sec. 9-104.01. Same; Article 110 — Requirements for Electrical Installations.**

24 (a) The following amendments, additions, and/or deletions are made to Section 110.26 of
25 the National Electrical Code:

- 26 (1) Section 110.26(D), "Illumination," is amended to read as follows: In addition to
- 27 Article 110.26(D) and Emergency Illumination, Section 700.16, in all commercial occupancies, a

1 wall mounted battery pack operated emergency illumination shall be provided for all working
 2 spaces about service equipment, switchboards, panelboards, load centers and motor control
 3 centers installed indoors. The battery shall be of suitable rating and capacity to supply and
 4 maintain the total load for a minimum period of 2 hours. [In addition, emergency illumination
 5 shall be provided about service equipment, switchboards in all commercial occupancies.]

6 **Sec. 9-105. Prevent Physical Damage.**

7 For residential and commercial applications, in locations where electrical equipment is
 8 likely to be exposed to physical damage by vehicles, electrical equipment shall have vehicle
 9 impact protection per [2018] 2021 International Building Code ("IBC") 1607.10[9], or as per
 10 [2018] 2021 International Residential Code ("IRC") E3404.10.

11 **Sec. 9-106. Same; Article 250 — Grounding.**

12 (a) The following amendments, additions, and/or deletions are made to Article 250 of the
 13 National Electrical

14 (1) Section 250.52(A)(1) Metal Underground Water Pipe. A metal underground water
 15 pipe in direct contact with the earth for 3.0 m (10 ft) or more (including any metal well casing
 16 bonded to the pipe) and electrically continuous (or made electrically continuous by bonding
 17 around insulating joints or insulating pipe) to the points of connection of the grounding electrode
 18 conductor and the bonding conductor(s) or jumper(s), if installed. Grounding electrode conductor
 19 shall be bonded to water pipe within 5 feet of where cold water pipe enters the structure.

20 (2) Section 250.52(A)(2) Metal In-ground Support Structure(s). One or more metal
 21 in-ground support structure(s) in direct contact with the earth vertically, with or without concrete
 22 encasement. If multiple metal in-ground support structures are present at a building or a
 23 structure, it shall be permissible to bond only one into the grounding electrode system.

24 Informational Note: Metal in-ground support structures include, but are not limited to, pilings,
 25 casings, and other structural metal.

26 (3) Section 250.52(A)(3), "Concrete - Encased Electrode," is amended to read as
 27 follows: All new structures, both residential and commercial, require a concrete encased

1 electrode to be used as the principal grounding electrode system.

2 **Sec. 9-107. Reserved.**

3 **Sec. 9-107.01. Wiring Methods and Materials; Article 310 -- Conductors for General**
 4 **Wiring.**

5 (a) The following amendments, additions, and/or deletions are made to Article 310 of
 6 the National Electrical Code:

7 (1) The following paragraph is added to Section 310.10, "Uses Permitted:" (C)
 8 Aluminum or copper-clad aluminum [C]conductors. Aluminum or copper-clad aluminum
 9 conductors shall be permitted only for service and feeder use and shall not be smaller
 10 than #2 AWG.

11 (2) The following exception is added to Section 310.10, "Uses Permitted:"
 12 Listed Cable assemblies #2 aluminum or copper-clad aluminum conductors AWG and larger
 13 installed in single-family and multifamily dwellings, having grounding conductors sized in
 14 accordance with Section 250.122, "Size of Equipment Grounding Conductors," shall be excluded
 15 from the requirements set forth in (a)(1), above.

16 **Sec. 9-108. [Reserved.] Add-On SMA Secure Power Supply Module Not Approved for**
 17 **Installation**

18 a. The following amendments, addition, and/or deletion are made to National Electrical
 19 Code article 110.3, 110.3 (B).

20 (1) The use of the Non-UL listed SMA and any other manufacturer Power Supply/PV
 21 Inverters is NOT approved for installation in Prince George's County. This
 22 determination has been made after working with Underwriters Laboratories (UL).
 23 Until acceptable evidence that overcurrent protection of the circuit is provided, as
 24 required by UL 1741 and UL1699B, Section 30.3, as well as with articles of
 25 NFPA 70, including Article 110.3 (B).

26 **Sec. 9-108.00.01. Reserved.**

27 **Sec. 9-108.01. Same; Article 408 — Switchboards and Panelboards.**

1 (a) The following amendments, additions, and/or deletions are made to Article 408 of the
2 National Electrical Code:

3 (1) All commercially owned occupancies including dwelling units having electrical
4 equipment with a capacity of eight hundred (800) amperes or larger, shall undergo maintenance,
5 cleaning and inspection as described by the manufacturer: every three (3) years by a master
6 electrician licensed by Prince George's County. The master electrician must promptly prepare a
7 written maintenance report identifying the equipment inspected and cleaned including any
8 conditions to be corrected and or repaired. A copy of the report shall be delivered to the owner
9 within in 10 days of the inspection. Any deficiencies noted thereon must be corrected or
10 repaired. Moreover, a copy of the "Maintenance/Cleaning Inspection Report shall be made
11 available to the Department of Permitting and Inspections upon request. If such maintenance or
12 cleaning requires a coordinated shut down with the servicing utility company, an electrical
13 permit shall be required. The maintenance and cleaning includes but is not limited to the
14 following:

- 15 (a) Vacuum entire interior of electrical equipment;
16 (b) Clean busbars and contacts with a suitable nonconductive solvent;
17 (c) Lubricate and exercise all moving mechanisms; apply anti-oxidizing agents
18 as warranted;
19 (d) Check all conductors for abrasions;
20 (e) Busbars and busbar connections shall be subjected to thermographic testing,
21 if corrective action is warranted, repair shall be made in accordance with recommended
22 manufacturer specifications;
23 (f) Replace worn, damaged, or deteriorating components; and
24 (g) Test ground-fault protective device.
25 (h) Testing and cleaning records shall be kept and made available upon request
26 and proper antioxidantizing agents shall be used after each cleaning.

27 (2) On all new and renovated installations requiring service and distribution electrical

1 equipment, Electrical Contractor shall provide a Letter from utility company stating the short
 2 circuit available interrupting current (SC AIC) rating required for the service equipment to
 3 inspector at the TPF inspection. Upon final inspection of all electrical work the electrical
 4 contractor shall provide letter certification of electrical connection tightening per manufacturer
 5 requirements and recommendations.

6 **Sec. 9-108.01.1 Article 408 Switchboards and Panelboards**

7 (a) The following amendments, additions, and/or deletions are made to Article 408 of the
 8 National Electrical Code:

9 (1) Article 408.36, "Overcurrent Protection," Exception No. 2 is amended to read as follows:

10 (a) For existing installations, split-bus panelboards shall be required to be replaced by a
 11 main over-current protective device panelboard when replacement of service entrance conductors
 12 occurs.

13 **Sec. 9-108.02. Equipment for General Use; Article 410 — Luminaires, Lampholders, and**
 14 **Lamps.**

15 (a) The following amendments, additions, and/or deletions are made to Article 410 of the
 16 National Electrical Code:

17 (1) The following addition is made to paragraph (B) of Section 410.36: All "lay-in"
 18 luminaires will require independent suspension to [insure] ensure that the luminaire will not drop
 19 more than nominally two (2) or three (3) inches when the framing members no longer provide
 20 the support. Number 12 WG wire firmly secured to the building structure and the luminaire is
 21 required for this purpose. Two (2) restraining wires (one (1) at each opposite end of the
 22 luminaire) are required for luminaries smaller than 2×4 and four (4) restraining wires (one (1) at
 23 each corner) are required on all luminaries 2×4 and larger. Other types of lay-in fixtures and
 24 surface mounted fixtures mounted on drop ceiling shall be support based on the fixture area to
 25 preclude the danger of falling when the framing members fail or are removed (e.g., hi-hat
 26 luminaire).

27 (b) A state certified modular building is subject to comply with MPC (Model Performance

1 Code), COMAR 09.12.50 only and is not subject to local ordinances. The installation of the
 2 luminaires and inspection of same shall be completed at the factory and shall be done in
 3 accordance with the MPC therefore it would not be subject to local amendments.

4 **Sec. 9-108.02.1 Article 410 Luminaires, Lampholders, and lamps.**

5 (a) The following amendments, additions, and/or deletions are made to Article 410 of the
 6 National Electrical Code:

7 (1) The following addition is made to paragraph (B) of Section 410.36: All "lay-in"
 8 luminaires will require independent suspension to ensure that the luminaire will not drop more
 9 than nominally two (2) or three (3) inches when the framing members no longer provide the
 10 support. Number 12 WG wire firmly secured to the building structure and the luminaire is
 11 required for this purpose. Two (2) restraining wires (one (1) at each opposite end of the
 12 luminaire) are required for luminaries smaller than 2×4 and four (4) restraining wires (one (1) at
 13 each corner) are required on all luminaries 2×4 and larger. Other types of lay-in fixtures and
 14 surface mounted fixtures mounted on drop ceiling shall be support based on the fixture area to
 15 preclude the danger of falling when the framing members fail or are removed (e.g., hi-hat
 16 luminaire).

17 **Sec. 9-108.03. Same; Article 450 — Transformers and Transformer Vaults.**

18 (a) The following amendments, additions, and/or deletions are made to Article 450 of the
 19 National Electrical Code:

20 (1) The following paragraph is added to Section [450.21] 450.14: A means of
 21 disconnecting the primary shall be located "within sight" of any dry-type transformer meeting the
 22 requirements of 450.21(A), [and] (B), and (C).

23 **Sec. 9-109. Reserved.**

24 **Sec. 9-109.01. Special Conditions; Article 700 — Emergency Systems.**

25 (a) The following amendments, additions, and/or deletions are made to Article 700 of the
 26 National Electrical Code:

27 (1) Section 700.5(A) is amended by the addition of the following sentence:

1 (A) All Emergency Systems such as panelboards, motor control centers, load
 2 centers, disconnects, transformer and Transfer equipment shall be separated from normal power
 3 distribution system by a wall or wall(s) with a minimum fire rating of two (2) hour(s).

4 [(2) The first paragraph of Section 700.12, titled "General Requirements," is amended
 5 by the addition of the following sentence: Permission to use an emergency power source must be
 6 requested and authorized in writing from the authority having jurisdiction prior to the submittal
 7 of engineering plans for approval.]

8 Note: Separation of transfer equipment shall incorporate the emergency system on the load side
 9 of the transfer switch.

10 **Sec. 9-109.02. Reserved.**

11 **Sec. 9-109.03. Emergency and Power Source.**

12 (a) The following amendments and/or additions are made to Article 700 of the National
 13 Electrical Code.

14 (1) A connection ahead of service disconnecting means is not permitted as an
 15 emergency circuit except as permitted by Section 9-109.01 of this Code.

16 **Sec. 9-109.04. Fire Pump.**

17 (a) The following amendments, and/or additions are made to Article 695 of the National
 18 Electrical Code:

19 (1) A fire pump shall be supplied by a separate service from the utility transformer.

20 (2) A fire pump shall be permitted to be supplied from a connection located ahead of
 21 the service disconnecting means when a back-up on-site generator is used as an alternate power
 22 source to feed the fire pump.

23 (b) Electrical requirements for Diesel Fire Pump Controller Power Source per NFPA20:

24 (1) Diesel Fire Pump controller shall be connected to the emergency power source
 25 such as standby emergency generator.

26 (2) If there is no Standby Emergency Generator, Diesel Fire Pump Controller shall be
 27 permitted to be supplied from the battery. There are two storage battery units shall be provided

1 and rack-supported above the floor, secured against displacement, and located where they are
2 readily accessible for servicing and not subject to excessive temperature, vibration, mechanical
3 injury, or flooding. Storage battery units shall be provided with battery chargers specifically
4 listed for fire pump service, arranged to automatically charge at the maximum rate whenever
5 required by the state of charge of the battery, and arranged to indicate loss of current.

6 (c) For diesel driven fire pumps, verify that the following alarms related to battery are
7 provided on the controller and operative:

- 8 (1) Battery failure/battery missing;
- 9 (2) Battery charger failure

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11 **SUBTITLE 9. ELECTRICITY.**
 12 **DIVISION 1. ELECTRICAL CODE.**
 13 **SUBDIVISION 3. ADMINISTRATION.**

14 **Sec. 9-110. Official records.**

15 An official record shall be kept of all business and activities related to the Electrical Code and
16 enforcement thereof including permits, fees and inspection reports, and all such records shall be
17 open to public inspection at all appropriate times.

18 **Sec. 9-111. Reserved.**

19 **SUBTITLE 9. ELECTRICITY.**
 20 **DIVISION 1. ELECTRICAL CODE.**
 21 **SUBDIVISION 4. ENFORCEMENT**

22 **Sec. 9-112. Electrical permits; required.**

23 No person shall perform electrical work until a permit has been obtained and a copy has
24 been posted at the job site or presented to the owner or occupant. The work must be done under
25 the personal and technical supervision of a licensed Master Electrician or Master Electrician,
26 Limited, or a licensed Refrigeration, Air Conditioning and/or Heating Contractor. No permit
27 shall be required for in-kind/in-place replacement of existing receptacles, switches or lighting

1 fixtures not exceeding a combination [total] of five (5) devices per structure.

2 Note: The exclusion for permit provided for in this subsection shall be used once for the life of
3 building or structure.

4 **Sec 9-113. Permit application.**

5 (a) All applications for permits shall be in writing, on such form as may be prescribed by
6 the Department, and shall describe the work to be done and the location thereof. All applications
7 for permits shall be accompanied by plans and specifications as specified in Section 9-115 and
8 the fee set forth by the Director and/or representative.

9 (b) Electrical permits shall only be issued to a duly licensed Master Electrician, or Master
10 Electrician, Limited, or a duly licensed Refrigeration, Air Conditioning and/or Heating
11 Contractor, except as provided in Section 9-117.

12 **Sec. 9-114. Approved plans.**

13 Approved plans are plans which have been reviewed by the Director and/or representative
14 and have been found to be consistent with Code requirements and accepted practices. Approved
15 plans shall be stamped "Approved" and at least one (1) set of such approved plans shall be
16 retained by the Department and the other set shall be kept at the building site, open to inspection
17 of the Director and/or representative at all reasonable times.

18 **Sec. 9-115. Plans and specifications.**

19 An application for a permit shall be accompanied by [not less than two (2) copies of]
20 specifications and of plans which use symbols and notations commonly accepted by the
21 electrical industry to show the nature and character of the work to be performed. The Director
22 and/or representative may waive the requirement for filing plans when it is determined that the
23 work is of a minor nature. No plans shall be required when a building permit application has
24 been filed in accordance with Subtitle 4 of this County Code.

25 **Sec. 9-116. Exceptions.**

26 When temporary emergency repairs necessitate replacement or alterations to an electrical
27 installation in residential or small industrial uses, such work may be commenced by a properly

1 licensed Master Electrician or Master Electrician, (Limited), without a permit; provided, that the
 2 person doing the same shall first inform the Department, if the Department's office is open,
 3 giving name and address and the address where the work is to be done, the nature thereof, and
 4 the appropriate time of commencement of the work. In each case, such person shall file an
 5 application for a permit covering the work no later than the following business day.

6 **Sec. 9-117. Right of property owner to perform work on own premises.**

7 (a) Except as restricted to the type of work as delineated below, the property owner is
 8 permitted to perform electrical work on his or her own premises; and the work is limited [up] to a
 9 in kind, in place replacement of [() lighting fixtures, receptacles and switches ()] combination of
 10 [ten (10)] five (5) devices or less, [which includes addition, relocation and replacement of (lights,
 11 receptacles and switches),] provided, that such premises are used only for a single-family
 12 residential dwelling.

13 The owner shall meet the following requirements:

14 (1) The owner shall apply for, pay the required fee, and secure an electrical permit
 15 required by this Subtitle.

16 (2) The owner shall do such work in accordance with the provisions of this Subtitle
 17 and work description narrative [plans] submitted with the permit application.

18 (3) The owner shall apply for all inspections required by this Subtitle.

19 (4) The owner shall be living on the premises, or declare an intention to occupy the
 20 premises for a minimum of one (1) year.

21 (5) The owner shall receive a final certification of inspection.

22 (b) Personal installation by an owner, other than by a licensed electrician, shall be by the
 23 owner on his own premises and without compensation from or to any other person for such labor
 24 or installation. The owner exercising this privilege shall conform to all requirements of this
 25 Subtitle.

26 (c) The following electrical work is not permitted to be performed under a homeowners
 27 permit:

- 1 (1) Installation of New Service;
- 2 (2) Service Heavy-Up;
- 3 (3) Service Panel Change;
- 4 (4) Relocation of Service Panel and/or Meter;
- 5 (5) Relocation of Service Drop or Lateral; or
- 6 (6) Installation of subpanels.

7 (d) Personal installation by an owner, other than by a licensed electrician, shall be by the
 8 owner on his own premises and without compensation from or to any other person for such labor
 9 or installation. The owner exercising this privilege shall conform to all requirements of this
 10 Subtitle.

11 (e) Requirements affecting the 2020 NFPA 70 National Electrical Code section 408,
 12 “Switchboards, Switchgear, and Panelboards.”

13 (1) For an existing installation of a split-bus panelboard it shall be required to replace
 14 the split-bus panelboard with a main overcurrent protective device when replacement of service
 15 entrance conductor occurs.

16 **Sec. 9-118. Permits; terms and conditions.**

17 (a) Each electrical permit issued pursuant to this Subtitle shall describe the installation to
 18 be done thereunder. Except as provided by Section 9-116, no person shall install or repair any
 19 electrical equipment other than in accordance with the permit. Except as provided by Section 9-
 20 117, all work done under such permit shall be performed under the technical supervision of a
 21 licensed Master Electrician or Master Electrician, Limited, as identified on the permit. All
 22 permits shall expire and be void unless the work authorized thereunder is either commenced
 23 within six (6) months from the date of issuance or there are no inspections made in a six (6)
 24 month period.

25 (b) Any permit issued with administrative errors which are the result of information
 26 provided by the applicant, such as incomplete listing of work accomplished, wrong address, or
 27 wrong owner, shall be revised prior to a final inspection. A fee of [Forty-Five Dollars (\$45.00)]

1 Fifty-Four dollars, plus at 10% Technology fee, as amended in Subtitle 2-253.63 Fee Table, is
 2 imposed for a permit revision in addition to the increased scope of work.

3 **Sec. 9-119. Request of permit number.**

4 The Electrical Contractor or employees shall provide, at the job site, the number(s) of any
 5 permit(s) issued, upon request of the Department.

6 **Sec. 9-120. Revocation of permits.**

7 The Director shall revoke, without refund of the permit fee, an electrical permit which is
 8 issued on an application or plans containing any false statement or misrepresentation of fact
 9 immediately upon discovery of such false statement or misrepresentation of fact therein.

10 **Sec. 9-121. Fee for permits and inspections.**

11 The fees for electrical permits and inspections of electrical installations pursuant to this
 12 Subtitle shall be adopted by resolution. The County Executive shall propose and recommend to
 13 the County Council a schedule of fees that reflects the actual costs associated with administering
 14 and inspecting work performed pursuant to permit. The Council shall conduct a public hearing
 15 prior to adopting the schedule of fees and may amend the schedule of fees prior to adoption.

16 Editor's note(s)—The electrical permit fee schedule was adopted by CR-35-1996.

17 CR-49-1998 revised the fee schedule for electrical permits to become effective on July 1, 1998.

18 **Sec. 9-122. Unused Permits and Inspections.**

19 (a) Whenever a change of electrical contractor occurs, the property owner, developer,
 20 or general contractor must inform the County by letter of such change. The letter should be
 21 addressed to the Director and/or representative and should include the following: electrical
 22 permit number(s), addressee(s), the last type of inspection if any, the reason for changing
 23 contractor, and the new contractor if selected. A copy of this letter should also be sent to the
 24 utility providing electric power when service work is included on the permit(s). Subsequent to
 25 receipt of this letter a "change in contractor" type of inspection will be made. When the
 26 inspection is completed and before resuming work, the new contractor must obtain a new permit
 27 at a cost to be determined by the Director and/or representative.

1 (b) Whenever any electrical work for which a permit is required has been started
 2 prior to obtaining a permit, a special investigation shall be made before an application may be
 3 filed to request the required permit. In addition to the filing fee and regular permit fee, an
 4 investigation fee of [One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00)] One Hundred Eighty Dollars, plus
 5 10% technology fee as amended in Subtitle 2-253.63 Fee Table for residential work and [Two
 6 Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00)] Three Hundred Dollars, plus 10% technology fee as amended
 7 in Subtitle 2-253.63 Fee Table for commercial work shall be paid at the time of filing the
 8 application for the required permit. Whenever work under a permit has been placed, partially
 9 completed, or concealed without first obtaining the required inspection approval, the Director
 10 and/or representative shall cause a special investigation to be made. The fee for the special
 11 investigation shall be [One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00)] One Hundred Eighty Dollars, plus
 12 10% technology fee as amended in Subtitle 2-253.63 Fee Table for residential and [Two
 13 Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00)] Three Hundred Dollars, plus 10% technology fee as amended
 14 in Subtitle 2-253.63 Fee Table for commercial and shall be payable before further inspections
 15 will be provided.

16 (c) Whenever an inspection is requested which cannot be rendered because the work
 17 has not been completed, a reinspection fee of [Fifty-five Dollars (\$55.00)] Sixty-Six Dollars plus
 18 10% technology fee as amended in Subtitle 2-253.63 Fee Table will be assessed against the
 19 contractor.

20 **Sec. 9-123. Inspections.**

21 A rough-wiring inspection is required before concealment. Upon completion of an electrical
 22 installation, a request for final inspection shall be made to the Department within seventy-two
 23 (72) hours of completion. The Department shall complete any commercial electrical inspection
 24 within three (3) working days of such request.

25 **Sec. 9-124. Reserved**

26 **Sec. 9-124.01. Reserved**

27 **Sec. 9-124.02. Reserved**

1 **Sec. 9-125. Reserved**

2 **Sec. 9-126. Special requirements for power companies.**

3 No electric light or power company shall energize any customer's electric lines, outlets or
4 devices within the County until a temporary or permanent meter cut-in certificate has been issued
5 by the Department. This Section does not apply to facilities of the Washington Suburban
6 Sanitary Commission that are used to dispense their services to the public.

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8 SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that the provisions of this Act are hereby
9 declared to be severable; and, in the event that any section, subsection, paragraph, subparagraph,
10 sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Act is declared invalid or unconstitutional by a court of
11 competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the remaining
12 words, phrases, clauses, sentences, subparagraphs, paragraphs, subsections, or sections of this
13 Act, since the same would have been enacted without the incorporation in this Act of any such
14 invalid or unconstitutional word, phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, subparagraph, subsection,
15 or section.

16 SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that this Act shall take effect on forty-five (45)
17 calendar days after it becomes law.

Adopted this 9th day of September, 2025.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: _____
Edward P. Burroughs
Chair

ATTEST:

Donna J. Brown
Clerk of the Council

APPROVED:

DATE: _____ BY: _____
Aisha N. Braveboy
County Executive

KEY:

Underscoring indicates language added to existing law.

[Brackets] indicate language deleted from existing law.

Asterisks *** indicate intervening existing Code provisions that remain unchanged.

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